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JUN 30 2016

**In the Supreme Court of Iowa**

**In the Matter of Adoption of )  
New Iowa Court Rule 2.18(15) )  
on Selection of Alternate Jurors )**

**Order**

CLERK SUPREME COURT

The Iowa Supreme Court rescinds and strikes in its entirety current Iowa Court Rule 2.18(15) and adopts in its place new rule 2.18(15) as provided with this order.

In the fall of 2015, the court's Advisory Committee on the Rules of Criminal Procedure unanimously recommended changing the separate jury examination process for selection of alternate jurors under criminal procedure rule 2.18(15). The amendment conforms the rule to the often-common practice whereby alternate jurors are contemporaneously examined and selected with principal jurors.

The court thoroughly reviewed the proposed new rule and circulated it for public comment. The court received valuable comments from a number of sources and carefully reviewed those comments prior to approving the new rule.

The new rule 2.18(15) as provided with this order is temporarily adopted, effective immediately. The new rule will permanently take effect August 30, 2016, subject to Legislative Council approval consistent with the provisions of Iowa Code section 602.4202.

Dated this 30th day of June, 2016.

The Supreme Court of Iowa

By Mark S. Cady  
Mark S. Cady, Chief Justice